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SUBJECT: JAPANESE NUCLEAR POWERED SHIPPING

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1. AS REPORTED REFTEL B, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY AGENCY DIRECTOR-GENERAL MORIYAMA HAS PERSONALLY INVOLVED HIMSELF IN NEGOTIATIONS TO RESOLVE ISSUES RELATING TO START OF TEST OPERATIN OF NS MUTSU. RECENTLY MORIYAMA INITIATED A SERIES OF MEETINGS WITH HIGH-LEVEL INDUSTRY OFFICIALS TO SOLICIT THEIR ASSISTANCE IN PERSUADING LOCAL OFFICIALS TO ACCEPT TEST OPERATION. THIS WAS FOLLOWED BY PERSONAL VISIT OF MORIYAMA TO AOMORI AND MUTSU CITY ON JUNE 5 DURING WHICH TIME HE INSPECTED NS MUTSU AND CONFERRED WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS. THIS WAS FIRST TIME ANY CABINET MINISTER HAD VISITED MUTSU AND ACCORDING PRESS REPORTS, HAS DRAWN MIXED REACTIONS. SOME CLAIM IT HAS HARDENED POSITION OF OPPONENTS WHILE OTHERS CLAIM IT WAS SIGNIFICANT STEP TOWARD BREAKING DEADLOCK.

2. MIROYAMA HIMSELF HAS BEEN OPTIMISTIC IN HIS REMARKS SINCE HIS
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RETURN TO TOKYO. HE PERSONALLY REPORTED ON HIS VISIT TO PRIME MINI-

STER TANAKA ON JUNE 7 WHICH WAS BASIS FOR ARTICLE REFERRED TO IN
REFTEL A. SUBSEQUENTLY IN SPEECH ON JUNE 13 HE COMMENTED THAT IT
WOULD BE DIFFICULT TO START TEST PROGRAM THIS MONTH (JUNE) BUT HE
WAS DETERMINED TO START IN IN JULY. IN VIEW OF DETERMINATION OF
MORIYAMA AND SUPPORT BY PRIME MINISTER, IT SEEMS PROBABLE THAT TEST
PROGRAM WILL START WITHIN NEXT TWO MONTHS EVEN IF OPPOSITION NOT
COMPLETELY SATISFIED.

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